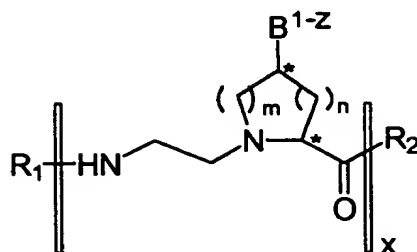


CLAIMS:

1. ~~A novel~~ ^{Novel} chiral, peptide nucleic acid oligomers having the formula :

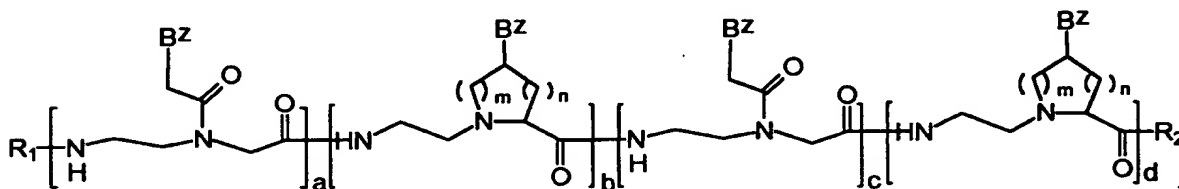


aep PNA II

^wWherein,

- m and n are 1 to 2 and x = 1-20;
- each of B¹-B² is independently selected from the group consisting of H, HO, NH₂, naturally occurring nucleobases adenine (A), thymine (T), cytosine (C) and guanine (G), non-naturally occurring nucleobases, DNA intercalators, heterocyclic moieties and reporter ligands;
- each chiral monomeric unit independently selected from the four possible diastereomers; and
- R₁=H/Fluorophore/Biotin; R₂=OH/NH(CH₂)₂COOH/
NH(CH₂)₃NH(CH₂)₄NH(CH₂)₃NH₂.

2. ~~A novel~~ ^{Novel} chiral, peptide nucleic acid oligomers having the formula :



aep PNA III

diastereomere
 which are heteropolymeric aepPNA III (with all four possible diastereomers) involving one or more substitution of the non-chiral aeg unit of aminoethylglycyl PNA I in aepPNA II as below:

- each chiral monomer unit independently selected from the four possible diastereomers,
- a,b,c,d,m,n are integers with independent values in the range 1 to 10 and various combinations thereof,
- R_1 is $H/COCH_3$ or L (corresponding to a fluorophore e.g. dansyl, carboxyfluorescein),
- R_2 is OH, NH_2 , $NHCH_2CH_2COOH$, sperminyl i.e., $NH(CH_2)_3NH(CH_2)_4NH(CH_2)_3NH_2$, and
- each of B^1-B^2 is independently selected from the group consisting of H, HO, NH_2 , naturally occurring nucleobases, non-naturally occurring nucleobases, DNA intercalators, heterocyclic moieties and reporter ligands.

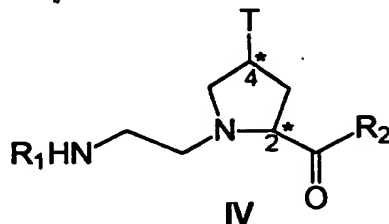
Novel

3. A novel chiral, peptide nucleic acid oligomers as claimed in claim 2, wherein $m=n=1$; $B^2 = T$; $R_1=H$; $R_2 = NH(CH_2)_2COOH$, with

- i. $a=7, b=1, c=d=0$,
- ii. $a=c=3, b=d=1$,
- iii. $a=b=c=d=1$, repeating twice in that order,
- iv. $a=b=c=0, d=8$,
- v. $a=d=0, b=1, c=7-11$ and with various combinations of B^2 .

- Novel
 4. A novel chiral, peptide nucleic acid as claimed in claim 1 or claim 2, wherein the oligomers are synthesized by adaptation of standard peptide synthesis procedures, either in solution or in solid phase.

5. A monomer precursor-synthon having the formula IV



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Wherein,

- R₁ = H/Boc/Fmoc, R₂ = OMe/OH/OEt/Obenzyl,
- variation of chirality at positions 2 and 4 leading to four diastereomers (2*S*,4*R*), (2*R*,4*S*), (2*S*,4*S*) and (2*R*,4*R*), and
- T is the nucleobase.

6. A monomer precursor-synthon as claimed in claim 5, wherein T is a naturally occurring nucleobase.

7. A process for preparing compounds according to claim 5, comprising the steps of:

A. providing the alkylating reagent (N-Boc)-2-aminoethylbromide (2) in two steps from 2-aminoethanol;

B. providing N-alkylation of 4-hydroxyprolinemethylester with reagent prepared as in ~~claim 7A~~^A

- alkylation of 4*R*-hydroxy-2*S*-prolinemethylester (1a) with (N-Boc)-2-aminoethyl bromide (2) to afford [1-(N-Boc)-2-aminoethyl]-4*R*-hydroxy-2*S*-prolinemethyl ester (3),

- alkylation of 4*R*-hydroxy-2*R*-prolinemethylester (1b) with (N-Boc)-2-aminoethyl bromide (2) to afford [1-(N-Boc)-2-aminoethyl]-4*R*-hydroxy-2*R*-prolinemethyl ester (5),

- alkylation of 4*S*-hydroxy-2*R*-prolinemethylester with (N-Boc)-2-aminoethyl bromide (2) to afford [1-(N-Boc)-2-aminoethyl]-4*S*-hydroxy-2*R*-proline methylester

- alkylation of 4*S*-hydroxy-2*S*-prolinemethylester with (N-Boc)-2-aminoethyl bromide (2) to afford [1-(N-Boc)-2-aminoethyl]-4*S*-hydroxy-2*S*-proline methylester, ^{and}

C. producing monomer synthons ^B(4a) and (6a) by Mitsunobu reaction of compounds prepared according to ~~claim 7B~~ with N3-benzoylthymine.

8. A process for introducing novel chiral monomers as claimed in ⁷~~claim 7C~~ at specific/desired position(s) in the oligomers of desired sequences

9. A process for sequence specific recognition of a single or double stranded polynucleotide (DNA, RNA), by the oligomers as per ^{Claim 1 or Claim 2}~~claims 1 and 2~~ derived from the compounds according to claim 7.

10. A method of using peptide nucleic acid oligomers as claimed in claim 9 for diagnosing and/or modulating the expression of genes in organisms.

11. A method as claimed claim 10 wherein said modulation includes inhibiting transcription and replication of the said gene.

12. A process for treating disease conditions associated with undesired protein production in an organism by using the compound according to ^{Claim 1 or Claim 2}~~claims 1 and 2~~.

13. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to ^{Claim 1 or Claim 2}~~claims 1 and 2~~ along with any other pharmaceutically effective agents.